

Topanga Canyon Boulevard Roadside Committee



Wednesday, February 8th, 2017, 10:00am – 12pm

Topanga Library

120 N. Topanga Canyon Boulevard

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES:

Approved

Approved with Changes

Attendees:

TCBRC members:

Beth Burnam (NTCFSC)
Clark Stevens (RCD)
Fiona Nagle (Cty BOS, Chair)
James Grasso (TCEP)
John Waller (Town Council)
Joseph Kibe (CT)
Joseph Rosendo (Chamber)
Kevin Johnson (Fire)
Lauren Wonder (CT)
Michael Dipsia (CT)
Roger Pugliese (TASC)
Tim Pershing (Bloom, Chair)

Guests:

Curtis Hein (AD50)
Dianne Porchia (Chamber)
Ken Mazur (TASC)
Susan Clark (Animal Rescue)

I. Reports

Fire

- A lot of rain and bad storms: good for drought, but means extra vegetation during fire season

Data Summary Report

- Target date: Feb 14 for submittal
- Waiting for updated cost figures from Caltrans
- Will remove editorial comments, save for Data Analysis Report
- Distribution

Hard copies:

Debbie Wong
Ron Kosinski
Sheila Kuehl
Richard Bloom
Henry Stern
CT Env Planning Library
CT Maintenance Library
Topanga Library
RCD Library

Digital version:

Caltrans website
RCD website
One Topanga website

** Much of the meeting was spent on proofreading the Report, divided among all attendees. Edits were collected for compiling.

Data Analysis Report

- Due in Fall 2017
- Analysis of data over next 6 months
- Review of BMPs (from data and effectiveness in community)
- Lessons Learned
- How to improve data collection

II. Discussion Items

Possible expansion of TCBRC purpose – for future discussion

- Currently mission is very specific to vegetation management
- May need to evaluate other areas to include in scope, eg Public safety, fire safety, scenic hwy, future projects, "Work safety Corridor"
- Changing scope may include changing membership of TCBRC
- Other options could be to have a different committee or different format to address other issues
- Currently need to follow the parameters of current model, but changes to be considered at a later date

Need for better understanding within Caltrans and between Caltrans and community about all work on TCB

- Need for a larger discussion because the different Caltrans Divisions don't know about TCBRC
- Need for better conduits for communication within Caltrans
- Maybe have someone from Caltrans Planning as part of TCBRC

Technology Improvements

- Would like to have better video and teleconferencing equipment in the library so that more TCBRC members can participate in meetings (especially Caltrans)

III. Action Items

- Everyone to send Tim day/time options for new regularly scheduled meetings (either T/W/TH in first 2 weeks of month) BY FEB 15
- Fiona to finish compiling Data Summary Edits
- Fiona and Tim to check on getting video and teleconferencing equipment in the library
- Lauren to check on CT technology
- Kevin to check Fire video technology
- Tim to determine new day/time for next regular meeting